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In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 2643
Connie Blackburn et al.) Examiner: Tran, Q.) TRANSMITTAL LETTER
Serial No.: 09/512,838)
Filed: February 25, 2000) 162 North Wolfe Road) Sunnyvale, California 94086) (408) 530-9700
For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD OF BILLING A PREDETERMINED TELEPHONE LINE FOR SERVICE UTILIZED BY A CALLING PARTY	Customer Number 28960 RECEIVED
MS: Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450	Technology Center 260

Sir:

Enclosed please find a Petition for Refund of Paid 3 Month Extension of Time Fee including Exhibit A and Exhibit B for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 08-1275. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

HAVERSTOCK & OWENS LLP

October 15, 2004 Dated:

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(37 C.F.R. § 1.181)

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Applicant hereby petitions for refund of three month extension of time fee for the following reasons:

- 1. The Office mailed a Final Office Action on April 16, 2004. Within the Final Office Action, a shortened statutory period for reply was set to expire 3 months from the mailing date.
- 2. Applicant filed an Amendment and Response to Final Office Action on June 1, 2004, which was within the 2 month time frame for receiving an Advisory Action from the Office. Exhibit A includes a copy of the Certificate of Mailing showing the mailing date to be June 1, 2004. Exhibit B includes a copy of the return receipt postcard showing that the Office received the Applicant's Amendment and Response to Final Office Action on June 3, 2004.
- 3. The Applicant has spoken with the Examiner via telephone and requested the current status of the Advisory Action, the current status of the Application, and the current

disposition of the claims, in light of the pending 6 month statutory period for reply. As of October 15, 2004, the current status of the Advisory Action, the current status of the Application, and the current disposition of the claims remains unknown.

- 4. To reply within the 6 months maximum statutory period for reply and to avoid abandonment of the application, on October 15, 2004, the Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal and paid the 3 month extension of time fee, \$980.00.
- 5. The Applicant requests a refund of the paid 3 month extension of time fee, \$980.00, as it is due to the lack of an Advisory Action from the Office that delayed a reply from the Applicant beyond the 3 month shortened statutory period for reply.

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> Respectfully submitted, HAVERSTOCK & OWENS LLP

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR§ 1.8(a))

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